

Indian Health Service Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreements Program

A program to build the capacity of American Indian/Alaska Native Tribes/Tribal Organizations to plan, implement, and evaluate injury prevention interventions

<http://www.ihs.gov/medicalprograms/injuryprevention/>



2004–2006 Project Profile



Ute Indian Tribe

The Uintah and Ouray reservation is located on 1.5 million acres in northeastern Utah. The region is characterized by large forest, fish and game preserves, farming and grazing land, and oil fields. Currently, 3100 tribe members live on the reservation in five communities within a 20-mile radius of Fort Duchesne, UT. Website: <http://www.utetribes.com>

Injury Topics addressed by 2003-2005 Program (in order of intensity):

Alcohol Related Motor Vehicle Crashes

Child Passenger Safety

Seatbelt Safety

Injury Prevention Program Staff



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Tenure: 6/1/2004 – 4/30/06

Training: IHS Level I IP Course, IHS Epidemiology Fellowship, Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Technician



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Tenure: 9/7/2004 – 4/30/06

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Injury Prevention Program Collaborating Partners:

Police Department • Emergency Medical Services • Local School • SAFE KIDS • Injury Prevention Coalition • Government and Tribal Officials • Indian Health Service • Head Start

Key IP Program Successes/Accomplishments:

Program Activities

- Distributed child safety seats during checkpoints. Participation of police during checkpoints has helped improve community members' perception of officers.
- Increased collaboration between Ute Tribe police and local municipal police departments.
- Conducted "Did You Know" media campaign to address Child Passenger safety. Other tribes have expressed interest in replicating this campaign.
- DUI checkpoints were conducted by police and IP Implementation Officer.

